

**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Criminal Investigation Division
Investigative Activity Report**

Case Number

1000-0487

Case Title:

Pacific Steel and Recycling

Reporting Office:

Seattle, WA, Area Office

Subject of Report:

20150818 Email from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Washington State Department of Ecology

Activity Date:

August 18, 2015

Reporting Official and Date:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Special Agent

28-AUG-2015, Signed by: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Approving Official and Date:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

31-AUG-2015, Approved by: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SYNOPSIS

On August 18, 2015, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) received an email from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a Hazardous Waste inspector for the Washington Department of Ecology regarding the chlorine gas release which occurred at the Pacific Steel and Recycle on August 12, 2015.

DETAILS

On August 18, 2015, I received an email from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a Hazardous Waste inspector for the Washington Department of Ecology regarding the chlorine gas release which occurred at the Pacific Steel and Recycle on August 12, 2015.

Contained inside the email are six weight receipts from Pacific Steel and Recycling (PSR) which are related to the scrapping operation occurring at 8119 North Regal in Spokane, Washington.

From the receipts it appears the delivery of scrap from 8119 North Regal was initiated on August 10, 2015 with the last load, before the chlorine gas release, arriving at the PSR at August 12, 2015, at approximately 0920 hours.

The receipt further states that the weigher is "BM" or PSR employee (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and that the trailer used was a black end dump. This matches the description of the situation by the PSR truck driver (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) during his interview on August 20, 2015. The load is from "Gordon" at "(Regal)." The load materials are written as "mix iron."

ATTACHMENT

Receipts for Scrap Delivered to PSR from N Regal (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) 8-10to8-12-15.pdf